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THE PEN THAT IS AS GOOD AS IT LOOKS

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Column One
BY David Courtney

THERE was nothing sensational or revelatory in what Mr. Sharett said on Monday afternoon to the Israel Press. But it was said with tact and good manners and took account of at least the possibility that the United States and Britain may be acting in good faith both in the matter of a regional water development programme and of measures for reducing tension along the frontier. It is odd that tact and good manners should come as a relief and it suggests that there has been some absence of these virtues in daily comments from other than Government sources on the subjects dealt with by the Prime Minister. If it is odd that tact and good manners should come as a relief it is not odd that they should give to Israel's views on water development and frontier questions a logic and validity sadly lacking when argument falls back upon the State Department and Commander Hutchison.

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IT is, of course, quite possible that the United States would never have dreamed of spending a large sum of money on a regional water scheme to benefit Israel and the Arab countries if President Eisenhower's Administration had not thought it necessary to do something for the Arabs as well as for Israel. It is also possible that the Americans might not have done anything if they had not thought it desirable to contribute towards a settlement of the Arab refugee question. But no responsible leader in Israel would doubt the propriety of America's desire to help the Arabs as well as Israel or to do something towards a settlement of the refugee question, especially as it is America who will foot the bill, as she has footed quite a number of bills in this part of the world and especially in Israel. The question to be worked out, therefore, is how this remarkable (and generous) project can be made equitable; and it seems only fair, at this stage of the negotiations, to assume that that is America's purpose as well as Israel's.

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WATER, of course, is a cooling element on the whole, and even that part of the Press which has tried to pour burning oil on it seems only partially to have succeeded. The frontiers are a different matter. Not only are they inflammable in the nature of things but anyone can snatch from them a blazing faggot with which to burn the public's coat-tails and keep opinion heated. Mr. Sharett, in his references on Monday to the Anglo-American proposals, did not brandish a faggot or try to heat opinion. He said plainly enough that there were objections to some of the proposals and plainly enough that some others were at least worth careful thought. He found, and sought, no occasion to attribute malice and conspiracy to the U.N. Observers and was able to discuss the question of the frontiers without once mentioning Commander Hutchison's name. In brief, he addressed himself to the problem with good sense instead of with bad will.

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BUT it cannot be easy for a Prime Minister of Israel at this stage to keep up a level of good sense and statesmanship, and this should be realized by critics of Israel's policy abroad. Public opinion does count; and although public opinion in this country is more level-headed than many of those who pretend to guide it (or reflect it: they claim to do both), there is always the risk that sooner or later a substantial part of the community will be persuaded that it really does think the way its wordy pundits say it does. Aside from this factor, there is, of course, the risk that people abroad, including Governments, will take seriously much of the comment relayed to them from Israel and will assume that responsible opinion, official and unofficial, is more concerned to pick on U.N. personnel and convince itself that the work is against Israel than to bring about a fair settlement of the country's problems. It would be a wrong assumption; but wrong assumptions seem to enjoy vigorous encouragement.

Jerusalem, June 30.

PRESIDENT TO LEAVE HOSPITAL TODAY

President Ben-Zvi, recovering from an operation at the Sha'arei Zedek on June 20, is to be discharged from hospital today when he will retire to somewhere in Israel for a brief convalescence.

Among those visiting the President during his stay in hospital were Chief Rabbi Herzog, Prime Minister Sharett and Cabinet Ministers.

The President has expressed his appreciation of the excellent attention given him by the physicians, nurses and management of the hospital.

INDONESIA SEEKS END TO UNION WITH HOLLAND

THE HAGUE, Tuesday (UP). — The Indonesian Foreign Minister, Mr. Sunario, today demanded the immediate dissolution of the Dutch-Indonesian union at the outset of the current negotiations between the two countries.

French Citizens Mobilized In North Vietnam

HANOI, Tuesday (Reuter). — General Salan, acting Commander-in-Chief in Indo-China, authorised the mobilisation of French military reservists in northern Vietnam.

Gen. Salan issued the order as part of a reorganization of forces designed to combat the mounting Communist threat to the Red River delta.

Frenchmen mobilised under the new order can be kept under arms beyond the regulation period to supplement regular forces.

Thousands of civilians are leaving their homes and fields to go with French and Vietnamese troops who are abandoning vulnerable outlying posts. More than 50,000 Vietnamese civilians have been evacuated from outlying districts since the fall of Dien Bien Phu on May 7.

The French High Command announced tonight that it has ordered evacuation of the Nan Dinh province, just south of Hanoi and one of the Red River delta's richest and most populous areas.

Meanwhile, fighting is continuing. Armoured Franco-Vietnamese troops have run into resistance while scouring the highway linking Hanoi with its supply port of Haiphong.

VIETMINH OBJECTS TO 'PUPPET' NEGOTIATORS

HANOI, Tuesday. — The Vietminh radio claimed today that one reason for the delay in the cease-fire talks in Vietnam had been the French decision to include three "puppet" Vietnam officers in its delegation. They also protested against the French proposal to fly the Vietnam flag at the talks.

Liaison officers of both sides have met for further discussions on the composition of the delegations to the truce negotiations.

French forces this week evacuated the important stronghold of Ankhe in southern Annam. The withdrawing garrison was ambushed by the Vietminh units and suffered some casualties.

The King of Laos, Sisavang Vong, left Saigon for France today for medical treatment.

In Geneva, the nine-nation Indo-China talks at a three-hour private session today again failed to make "real progress" on the crucial issue of armistice control, conference sources said. But they added that the tone of the discussion was "conciliatory." The complex supervision problem was considered "in detail".

(Reuter, UP)

US, Britain Near Accord on Suez

By GEORGE LICHTHEIM, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON, Tuesday. — The Washington talks are believed here to have included the Middle East, although this fact is not reflected in the official statement.

Differences on the approach to the Suez problem were known to be among the points which Mr. Dulles intended to raise, and today it appears, from one or two reports that have leaked through, as though some agreement was reached.

The most definite aspect of these rumors is a suggestion that atomic weapons may play a larger part in Middle Eastern defence than had hitherto seemed likely. Apparently the American Chiefs of Staff developed an argument based on the thesis that any Russian advance overland can be crippled by atomic bombardment, and that conventional military bases in Suez or elsewhere are less important than they used to be. It does not follow that this would invalidate the significance of the air installations along the Canal, but presumably there would be less reason for keeping 80,000 British troops locked up there.

This approach obviously has some relevance for the still unsettled question as to what military action should be taken if Turkey is threatened. The American reply would seem to be that, while there are adequate air bases, in and around Turkey, a massive Russian land advance is impossible. If this argument is accepted, there is less reason than ever for haggling over the terms of Anglo-Egyptian military cooperation in an eventuality that may never arise.

It was known here prior to the talks that Washington favoured the Egyptian standpoint and was getting impatient with the endless delays in signing an agreement, but it had not been so clearly appreciated that Mr. Dulles would be able to back up his arguments with a new military appreciation.

In general, the talks are thought to have been useful in strengthening President Eisenhower's position and that of the moderates in the Administration generally, and in ironing out some differences. The argument for prolonged peaceful co-existence with Russia had not been put so dramatically to the American public before, and now that they have heard it from Churchill there is some prospect that Congress will become less unreasonable.

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New Junta Ousts Diaz; Will Treat with Rebels

BELIZE, British Honduras, Tuesday. — Guatemala Radio announced today that the new military junta under Colonel Eliego Monzon had dissolved the Guatemalan Congress. The broadcast said that the Congress did not represent the "legal aspirations" of the country.

The new junta deposed and arrested the provisional President, Colonel Enrique Diaz, after he had rejected an ultimatum from the rebel "President," Colonel Carlos Castillo Armas, and announced that the fight would continue. Shortly afterwards rebel planes raided Guatemala City.

Colonel Monzon has meanwhile announced his readiness to treat with the rebels, and fighting seems to have died down.

One of the first acts of the new regime was to release all political prisoners arrested by the regime of ex-President Arbenz which fell two days ago, and to order the arrest of all known Communists.

The police today raided the headquarters of the Communist Party in Guatemala City, and the Communist newspaper, "Tribuna Popular," has been closed down.

The Inter-American Peace Commission left Washington for Guatemala today to begin an on-the-spot investigation of Guatemalan charges that Honduras and Nicaragua had aided the aggression. The delegates will stop overnight in Mexico City before proceeding on their journey.

Earlier today, the Commission had decided to call off its enquiry after being told by the U.S. Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. Henry Holland, that Colonel Diaz was no longer in power. Later, however, the delegates reversed their decision and decided to proceed after all.

(Reuter, UP)

US House Bars Funds For Asian 'Locarno'

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (UP). The House Foreign Affairs Committee today voted to prevent any foreign aid funds from being used to support the British-proposed "Locarno" non-aggression pact for South-East Asia or any other treaty which would maintain Communist rule in any Asiatic country.

The committee voted to put the recommendation into President Eisenhower's $3,500 m. foreign aid bill, which was due to be brought up before the House later today.

The speaker, Mr. Joseph Martin, asked for the approval of the entire programme although, he said, "I would be less than frank if I did not say that we have been bitterly disappointed in some of the nations we have tried to help."

He said that most of the money would go to nations such as South Korea, the Chinese Nationalists on Formosa, Thailand, Japan, Turkey, Greece, Spain, Israel, Yugoslavia and West Germany.

He added that these nations were not going to run up the white flag, and what the U.S. was doing in the bill greatly enhanced the possibility of peace.

Nearly one-third of the bill involves money for Indo-China, to be used at the discretion of President Eisenhower.

AEC Refuses To Clear Oppenheimer

WASHINGTON, Tuesday. — The U.S. Atomic Energy Commission announced today it had voted four to one against giving Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer access to restricted atomic data.

The commission thus upheld the majority recommendation of a personnel security review board which voted 2-1 against reinstating Dr. Oppenheimer's security clearance, which had been suspended last December.

The only AEC member voting to restore Oppenheimer's clearance was Mr. Henry Smyth.

Voting on the majority were the A.E.C. chairman, Mr. Lewis Strauss, and Commissioners Eugene Zuckert, Thomas Murray and Joseph Campbell.

(Reuter, UP)

SECRECY SHROUDS RANGOON TALKS

RANGOON, Tuesday (Reuter). — The Chinese Prime Minister, Mr. Chou En-lai, held a final round of talks with Burmese leaders here today before his departure by air for Peking.

Strict secrecy shrouded the talks on Asian problems, held in a compound guarded by sentries and barbed wire, where most of Burma's Cabinet Ministers live.

Mr. Chou and Premier U Nu, spent nearly six hours together today following their meeting last night. A joint communique on the talks is expected later today.

NY Press Ignores Churchill Statement on Zionism

By JESSE ZEL LURIE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK, Tuesday. — Although Sir Winston Churchill considered the Middle East problem sufficiently important to answer a question about it — among the six he replied to out of the several hundred submitted to him in writing — no New York reporter included it in his story.

Only those who read verbatim the text of Sir Winston Churchill's statement found the heart-warming declaration "I am a Zionist."

At a time when "Byroadism" has given Zionism some sort of un-American connotation in Washington, these words from the universally respected British leader will strengthen the morale of American Zionists, if and when they learn about them.

Lipsky Cables Churchill

(The Chairman of the American Zionist Committee, Mr. Louis Lipsky, has sent a cable to Sir Winston Churchill expressing the appreciation of the entire Zionist movement for his expression of continued friendship for Israel, INA reports).

New British Approach Expected in Egypt

The Egyptian Foreign Minister, Mahmoud Fawzi, said today after a meeting with the American Ambassador in Cairo, Mr. Jefferson Caffery, that Egypt was awaiting new British proposals for the resumption of the talks on the Suez Canal zone, NEARS reported.

Reports from London, meanwhile, also indicated that a new British approach is in the offing, but it is not expected before the return of Mr Winston Churchill and Mr. Eden from Washington.

Dayan to Visit US In Mid-July

The Chief-of-Staff, Rav-Aluf Moshe Dayan, will leave in mid-July for a three-week visit to the U.S. the Army spokesman announced.

During his visit, he will tour army camps, military schools and other army installations. He will be accompanied by Aluf-Mishneh Y. Rabin and Sgan-Aluf M. Peled, who are already in the U.S.

Ike, Churchill Call for Global Arms Reduction

WASHINGTON, Tuesday. — President Eisenhower and Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill today called for a "general and drastic reduction" of world armament designed to apply atomic knowledge to human betterment rather than destruction.

The President and Prime Minister issued a statement of the Anglo-American approach to the problem of halting Communism, but avoided specific reference to Indo-China.

Their "agreed declaration" was issued by the White House about an hour after they had concluded the talks which began last Friday.

Leave for Ottawa

Sir Winston and his Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, left for Ottawa shortly after.

The two leaders stated that they felt "the cause of world peace would be advanced by general and drastic reduction, under effective safeguards, of world armaments of all classes and kinds."

"It will be our persevering resolve to promote conditions in which the prodigious nuclear forces now in human hands can be used to enrich and not to destroy mankind."

They urged "the establishment and maintenance of such associations of appropriate nations as will best, in their respective regions, preserve the peace and the independence of the peoples forming them.

"When desired by the peoples of the affected countries, we are ready to render appropriate and feasible assistance to such associations," the declaration said.

Uphold Free Elections

As regard formerly sovereign states now in bondage, the declaration went on, "we will not be party to any arrangement or treaty which would prolong their unwilling subordination. In the case of nations now divided against their will, we shall continue to seek to achieve unity through free election supervised by the U.N. to ensure that they are conducted fairly.

"We will continue out support of the U.N. and of existing international organizations that have been established in the spirit of the Charter for common protection and security."

(UP, Reuter)

Knesset Passes State Bank Bill to Committee

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Bank of Israel Bill was sent to the Knesset Finance Committee for further study last night without dissenting votes.

Winding up the debate, Mr. Eshkol the Minister of Finance, noted that the speakers fell into two groups, those who thought the Governor of the Bank had been given too much power and those who thought he had been given too little. The Government had no desire to establish just another bank, Mr. Eshkol said, and it had deliberately given the Governor considerable powers. All basic decisions on financial policy would, however, still require the approval of the Government, he said. This was essential, since it was impossible to separate the country's financial policy from its general economic policy.

Mr. Eshkol thought that Dr. B. Avniel (Herut), who had urged the decontrol of currency, was putting the cart before the horse. The lifting of the controls on carp (which Dr. Avniel had cited as an example) did not lead to an abundant supply; it was the abundant supply which made possible the lifting of controls.

Several members suggested that the Bank should have a board of governors, at least for a period of years, rather than a single governor, for whom the high-sounding title of *Nagid* — leader, ruler, prince — has been revived.

Mr. Ariav (General Zionists) supported this point of view, arguing that the two advisory Committees planned would have only as much power as the Governor wished to give them.

Mr. Foerder (Progressives) speaking in a similar vein, proposed a board of four to five members. He asked that the position of the Bank's Governor should not be higher than that of the Cabinet Ministers. It was important, at the same time, that the Bank should be too strong to be forced into the position of becoming merely an instrument of the Treasury.

Mr. Bejerano (General Zionists) also favoured a Board of Governors. He asked that the right to make economic policy should be firmly retained by the Government, which was responsible to the Knesset, while the Bank was responsible to the Government, so that the Knesset's control was at second hand. He did not agree with the provision banning members of the Government from being appointed to the advisory boards, and asked for the inclusion of a basic paragraph that "the Bank will carry out the Government's economic policy."

A widely heard complaint was that the present wording of the law does not require the Bank to make regular statements of the total currency in circulation, although weekly reports on the currency situation were asked for by the Knesset during the time of acute inflation, and have been maintained since. The draft law provides for monthly reports to the Government by the Bank, but does not state specifically that these shall include figures on currency.

Mr. Bader (Herut) in particular, prophesied that the fact that the bill did not require nominal cover for currency issued by the Bank would be exploited by the Government to obtain inflated credits for administrative purposes.

He added that he would have liked to have seen an independent Bank established with "real capital," that would attract investments from abroad and savings at home. This Bank was just "another Government institution, and will be incapable of doing anything to strengthen the economy."

Perilous Policy

Mr. Rubin (Mapam) considered it perilous to abandon the principle of a backed currency at a time of financial instability. The value of the currency was certainly decided by its purchasing power, and not the nominal backing, but the need for backing prevented unlimited credits being given to the Government. He thought that the power of the Knesset to control financial policy was being reduced by the provisions of this bill.

Mr. E. Livneh (Mapai) welcomed the establishment of the Bank, because credit planning had become one of a Government's most important functions. He asked that the Bank reintroduce the convertibility of the Israel pound in order, ultimately, to free the country of the burden of inefficient producers.

Dr. Avniel thought that the Governor should have a more independent status, along the lines of the State Comptroller or Supreme Court Justices. He also asked the Minister of Finance whether it was true that Mr. Oscar Gass, head of the Economic Advisory Staff, was about to resign over differences of opinion with the Government, particularly on the question of the State Bank.

Dr. M. Sneh (Left Faction) asked how the Bank could be expected to halt oscillations from deflation to inflation when it was the economic policy of the Government itself which was responsible.

Children born out of wedlock will be registered in the mother's identity card and, if application is made in writing, also in that of the father, Mr. I. Rokach, Minister of Interior, said in the Knesset yesterday in reply to a question by Mr. Bar Yehuda, Mapam.

The question resulted from a regulation introduced in February that children would not be registered if the parents had failed to record the change in their personal status, i.e., their marriage, until this change had been entered in their identity cards. This would have barred illegitimate children from the registration on their parents' cards that entitles them to normal citizenship.

The Speaker of the Knesset, Mr. Yosef Sprinzak, yesterday received the Brazilian Minister to Israel, Mr. Jose Fabrino de Oliveira Baiao, prior to the Minister's departure for Brazil.

TOO LATE FOR INFLATION

The House rocked with laughter when Mr. Eshkol in reply to the assertion that one function of the Bank would be to inflate the currency, snapped, "As though we haven't had inflation without the Bank!"

Jordan Asks Arabs to Take Joint Action Against Israel

Israel Frees Italian Immovable Property

An agreement freeing all Italian immovable property in Israel was signed in Rome on Monday by Mr. Scaduto Mendola, Head of the Economic Division of the Italian Foreign Ministry, and the Israel Minister, Mr. Eliahu Sasson, the Foreign Ministry announced in Jerusalem yesterday.

All Italian money now in the hands of the Custodian of Enemy Property will be kept by Israel for the payment of compensation to Jews whose possessions were confiscated in Italy on their way to Israel.

Millions of pounds worth of property are involved. In Jerusalem, among other buildings, are the Italian Consulate in Talbieh, now in the possession of the University, the Generali Building and the Italian Hospital. Also included are many schools and several very large properties in Haifa and throughout the country. The Italian property had been in the hands of the Custodian of Enemy Property since World War II.

Salem in Beirut For Egyptian-Lebanese Talks

BEIRUT, Tuesday. — The Egyptian Minister of National Guidance, Major Salah Salem, arrived in the Lebanese capital today. He immediately began talks with the Lebanese Premier, Abdullah el Yafi, and is due to meet President Chamoun tomorrow.

The Jordan Foreign Minister, Jamal Toukan, who arrived here yesterday, is expected to participate in the discussions.

Abdullah el Yafi told the Chamber of Deputies today that his government would nationalize the resources of the Litani River.

Yesterday, the government won a vote of confidence by 67 votes to 1 against a proposal by a "Socialist" Deputy, Emile Boustani, demanding closer cooperation with the West.

(Reuter, NEARS)

Notes to Big 3 Protest 'Attack'

AMMAN, Tuesday. — Jordan today asked the other Arab states to take joint security measures to stop "Israel attacks on the advanced defence line of the Arab world."

A government statement announcing this also said that notes had been sent to Britain, France and the U.S. protesting against a recent Israel attack on the village of Azzun in the Kalkilya area.

A similar note has been sent to Mr. Charles Malik, Lebanese delegate to the United Nations, asking him to draw official U.N. attention to the incident. Notes were also sent to Jordan Legations and Embassies abroad.

An extraordinary session of the Supreme Defence Council will be held tomorrow to discuss this and other recent incidents on the Jordan frontier, and to take "full measures to prevent such aggression."

It was officially announced today that an Arab Legionnaire wounded in the Azzun incident has died in hospital, bringing total casualties to three Legionnaires and one civilian killed, and three Legionnaires wounded.

The Mixed Armistice Commission will hold an emergency meeting tomorrow to discuss Jordan complaints, it was announced in Amman yesterday.

The Commission's investigation team returned to Jerusalem last night after investigating incidents in Kalkilya and Azzun. The team found used cartridges and fragments of a hand grenade.

Jordan complained to the U.N. Truce Supervision Commission today that Jews armed with automatic weapons and mortars last night attacked the village of Beitawa, near Hebron. A U.N. team was sent to investigate.

Armistice Commission sources said later that Jordan had lodged a complaint with the Commission and had asked for an emergency meeting to consider allegations that Israel troops had opened automatic and mortar fire today behind the armistice line at Beitawa village in the Hebron area inside Jordan territory. The firing was said to have lasted for three hours but no Arab casualties were reported.

US-Jordan Aid Pact Just Beats Deadline

By JESSE ZEL LURIE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK, Tuesday. — Beating the June 30 deadline by two days, the State Department yesterday announced the signing of an $8m. economic aid agreement with Jordan. This is the first and only programme out of the $82m. economic aid allocated to the Arab states in the 1954 fiscal year ending tomorrow.

Negotiations with the other Arab states bogged down despite the best efforts of the State Department's Near Eastern Economic Division, headed by Mr. Arthur Gardiner, and it was touch and go whether the Jordan agreement would be concluded in time.

The remaining $44m. revert to the Treasury tomorrow, but the State Department hopes to reappropriate $60m. to $70m. for aid to the Arab states in 1955 in the bill now before Congress.

It is understood that the major proportion of this sum would be intended for the proposed Jordan Valley authority and refugee resettlement projects in Syria and Egypt.

Of the $8m. allocated to Jordan, $3m. will be used for irrigation; $2m. for the development of natural resources; $2m. for road construction and $1m. for afforestation and water development.

Results of Water Talks 'Better Than Expected'

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday. — Results achieved in the regional water planning talks were better than expected when they left the U.S., Mr. George Barnes, of Ambassador Eric Johnston's staff, said here today prior to his departure by T.W.A. for Rome. He left together with Mr. Oliver Troxel, also a member of the staff.

There are signs that the Government of Israel was interested in finding a solution to the regional water problems, and during the talks the Israel mission proved its goodwill while safeguarding its interests, Mr. Barnes stated. He added that it was conceivable that Mr. Johnston and members of his staff would meet diplomatic representatives of the countries concerned in the U.S.

The third member of Mr. Johnston's staff who remained for further talks, Mr. Robert Colburn, water expert of the Main firm which drew up the U.S. water plan, returned to the U.S. yesterday.

Sharett Greets Aguda Parley

View of speakers' platform at Agudat Yisrael Congress.
Photo by Braun

Jerusalem Post Reporter

All those who have come to this Congress, know, or will know, that only in Israel can they live a full religious life, Prime Minister Moshe Sharett said yesterday evening, in welcoming the delegates of the Fourth World Congress (Knessia Gedola) of Agudat Yisrael, at the Binyaney Ha'coma.

Perhaps not all of the State's laws were agreeable to them, Mr. Sharett said, and undoubtedly the Aguda would like to see all laws based on the Torah. But Israel was the only country in the world which did base some of its laws on the Torah, he said; all others were founded on principles springing from Jewish concepts.

Mr. Sharett called on the assembly to form solid ranks in the country's fight for security, economic independence, and political unity.

He hoped that the day would soon come when he would again see Agudat Yisrael in the coalition, and noted that the sage advice of Rabbi I. M. Levin, who had been a member of the Cabinet, was sorely missed.

After a reading of Psalms (104 and 144), the Congress was addressed by Rabbi Meir Block, of Cleveland, U.S., whose speech was a dirge on the six million Jews, and their spiritual leaders, wiped out by Hitler. He called upon the delegates not to forget the havoc wreaked upon Jewry by the Nazis. "Political realities" often imposed unwelcome tasks, he said, but the Jewish people would never forget what the Germans had done to them.

Those who fell in the War of Liberation died to create a country which would be ruled by the Divine Creator, he said.

Dr. Jacob Rosenheim (Tel Aviv) President of World Agudat Yisrael, spoke of the concept of Jewish unity and called the Zionist idea as "spurious." He said the Holy One would build the house of the Aguda and hoped they would prove worthy of it. The next speaker, Rabbi Levin, who spoke alternately in Hebrew and Yiddish, noted that between the Third World Congress in Czechoslovakia, 27 year ago, and the end of the second world war, persecution of the Jews had reached its unspeakable climax. He called upon all religious Jews to come to Israel to strengthen the position of Orthodox Jewry.

More than 4,000 persons crowded into the hall, filling up the passageways and creating a congestion which proved to be beyond the resources of the several hundred ushers. Another 1,000 persons on the Binyaney Ha'coma grounds heard the proceedings through loudspeakers.

The Congress continued late

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Bennike Hears Egypt MAC Delegates

General Vagn Bennike, U.N.O. Chief-of-Staff, heard the views of Egyptian delegates to the Israel-Egypt MAC on his recent visit to Cairo. No decision was taken to convene the long-delayed session of the MAC or the special committee attached to it.

General Bennike plans to meet the MAC delegates in Beirut and Damascus in the near future. There will be no talks on a government level.

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Social & Personal

Prime Minister Sharett yesterday received at his office in the capital the Argentine Minister, Dr. Pablo Manguel.

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Mr. Bruce McDaniel, Chief of U.S.O.M. in Israel, visited Mr. David Ben Gurion at Sde Boker on Sunday. Mr. McDaniel is due to leave Israel next month upon completion of his tour of duty.

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Mr. W. Klabin, the Economic Adviser to the Brazilian Government, left by Air France yesterday after a one-week visit. He was seen off by the Brazilian Minister, Mr. Jose Fabrino de Oliveira Baiao.

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Mr. T. Kala, the Finnish Charge d'Affaires, left by T.W.A. for Zurich en route home for a brief visit.

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Mr. Ivan B. White, Councillor in the U.S. Embassy, left yesterday with his family by T.W.A. for home leave.

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Rabbi Eliezer Silver, of the Agudat Yisrael Praesidium, arrived by El Al this morning to attend the Agudat Yisrael convention.

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Professor Isidor Fankuchen, head of the Division of Applied Physics at the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn, N.Y., and his wife and son have left Israel after a 10-week stay as guests of the Weizmann Institute of Science.

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Mr. A. Mansfeld, Associate Professor at the Technion and Head of its Division of Architecture, left this week by El Al on a study tour of architecture and housing in the Scandinavian countries.

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Mr. Aharon Leshem, of the Ministry of Labour, returned by Air France yesterday from a visit to West Germany to accept Reparations goods for Tahal and the Public Works Department.

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Miss Vivian Blaine, a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer star, arrived by air yesterday, accompanied by her husband and impresario, Mr. M. Frank, for a five-day private visit.

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Mr. Menahem Bar Gil, of Mapai youth, who took part in the Asian Socialist Conference in Burma last month, returned by El Al from Paris yesterday.

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Dr. M. Wolf, director of OZE in Israel, left by Air France for Paris yesterday to attend the Joint Distribution Committee meeting there.

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★ Exhibitions:—
"Conquest of the Desert" permanent exhibition at the former Israel Pavilion of the International "Conquest of the Desert" Exhibition. 10-1, 4-6 p.m. Paintings by Sara Shalkai-Tamari, Artists' House, 10-1, 4-7 p.m.
Colour woodcuts by Jacob Steinhardt, sculptures by Rudolf Lehmann, oil paintings and frescoes by Moshe Tamir, water colours by Alisa Beck. Exhibit of the month: portrait of an Italian woman by Camille Pissarro, Bezalel National Museum, 9-1, 3-6 p.m.

★ Archaeology:—
Department of Antiquities. Special exhibition chalcolithic objects from Tell Abu-Matar, near Beersheba, including various finds from a Chalcolithic and Middle Bronze mass tomb near Tell Asawir. Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Open 9-1, 4-6.

★ Library:—
American Library and Reading Room, U.S. Consulate, Mamilla Rd. Entrance free. 9-1, 3-6.

★ Tours: —
Hebrew University conducted tour, new administration building, King George Ave., opposite Terra Sancta. 10 a.m.

★ Film Shows:—
Keren Hayesod, for tourists and visitors, 11.30 a.m.

TEL AVIV

★ Exhibitions:—
Paintings, sculptures, applied art by Ehara, Louise and Bezalel Schatz, Modern Mexican graphic art, ancient Mexican pottery, Museum, 10-1, 4-7 p.m.
25 years of Habimah, Habimah Theatre, 11-1.30, 4-6 p.m.

★ Theatres:—
"The Trouble Makers," Chamber Theatre, Mograbi. 8.30 p.m.

★ Entertainment: —
Concert at Noga Cafe, from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight.
Dance and dine at the Cocktail Bar.

HAIFA

★ Exhibitions:—
Works by pupils of Bezalel School, Jerusalem. Applied graphic, metal works, embroidery and weaving, also paintings by P.E. Meonich. Municipal Museum of Modern Art, Town Hall, 10-1, 4-9 p.m.

RAMAT GAN

★ Theatres:—
Do-Re-Mi, "Sitre", The Garden Princess, Rama Hall, 8.30 p.m.

HOLON

★ Exhibitions:—
Paintings by Adam, Ellenbogen, Calahorra, Ben-Yehuda, Wiesenfeld, Schatzker, "Mifne," The House of Culture, Rezano Ginsmat, Rehov Moshe Hess, 6-9 p.m.

PETAH TIKVAH

★ Theatres:—
Habimah, "Macbeth." 8.30 p.m.

NAHARIYA

★ Theatres:—
"Ilyssalim," Chamber Theatre, 8.30 p.m.

Moon Hides Sun Today

STOCKHOLM, Tuesday (Reuter). — Over 400 scientists from 12 countries have chosen Sweden as their base for viewing tomorrow's eclipse of the sun. A total eclipse will be visible from a 150 kilometre wide track stretching across the south of the country.

The scientists have come from Belgium, Britain, Eire, Finland, France, Holland, Italy, Switzerland, East and West Germany and the U.S.

Our Astronomical Correspondent adds that in Jerusalem, the shadow of the moon will first be seen at 15.42 hours, at the spot that corresponds to four o'clock; at 16.50 hours, 68% of the sun's surface will be covered by the moon. The occlusion will end an hour later. In the north of the country, the eclipse will take place a few minutes earlier and in the south, correspondingly later.

There are always at least two total solar eclipses each year, and there may be as many as five — but the area of shadow cast by the moon is relatively small, so these eclipses are only visible over very limited areas of the earth each year. A man who sat down at a particular spot to wait for a total eclipse might have to wait nearly 400 years—although he would see several partial eclipses.

Eclipses recur in "families;" the conditions for a particular eclipse repeat themselves, almost exactly after 6585.3 days (about 18 years), a cycle which was known to the Babylonian astronomers, and is called the Saros. A particular eclipse series will be "born" as a partial eclipse near one of the Poles; at intervals of about 18 years it will repeat itself — first as a partial eclipse, then will come a run of total eclipses, fading out again towards the opposite Pole in further partial eclipses, all the time moving slowly north or south until after about 66 repetitions (1,200 years later) it disappears off the earth. In any one Saros period about 71 series of eclipses are running, 41 eclipses of the sun and 29 eclipses of the moon. Some will be dying out, and others will be taking their place. Today's eclipse belongs to a series which began in 1179 C.E. as a small partial eclipse near the South Pole. The series is moving north, and is nearing the end of its run.

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'N.Y. Times' Features Birobijan Pictures

NEW YORK, Tuesday (INA). — "The New York Times" on Sunday devoted an entire page to pictures taken by Mr. Harrison E. Salisbury on his recent tour of Birobijan. Among the pictures was one featuring the entrance to a collective farm with names printed in Russian and Yiddish, and a picture of an orthodox synagogue which has no rabbi.

Pyun Approved As S. Korean Premier

SEOUL, Tuesday (Reuter). — The South Korean National Assembly yesterday approved the appointment of the Foreign Minister, Mr. Pyun Yung Tai, as Prime Minister. Mr. Pyun, who represented South Korea at the Geneva talks on Korea, arrived here from Tokyo a few minutes before the vote.

He reiterated a statement he had made in Geneva that South Korea and "the rest of the free world" were no longer bound by the Korean cease-fire agreement "since the Communists had violated it."

Tomb for Soul, Not Body

CAIRO, Tuesday (Reuter). — The empty tomb in a pyramid at Sakkara, opened last week, belonged to Sekhem-khet, one of the successors of Odser, founder of the Third Dynasty of pharaos, it was disclosed today. His name was found on four different jar seals.

The empty sarcophagus was "for the soul and not the body," a leading Egyptian authority said today.

Dr. Selim Hassan was commenting on the opening of the rose-coloured alabaster tomb originally believed to contain the mummy of a king buried 4,700 years ago. He had been asked by Dr. Mustapha Amer, director of the Antiquities Administration, to evaluate the Sakkara discovery.

Dr. Hassan said: "I have examined 200 such tombs and have found that the ancient Egyptians had one tomb for the soul and another for the body. The fact that Sakkara sarcophagus was empty is proof that it was a tomb for the soul".

Tires Give Headache To Jordanians

Israel-manufactured Alliance and General Tires mounted on the wheels of UN jeeps crossing the lines into the Old City of Jerusalem are giving the Jordan authorities severe headaches.

The tires, bearing the Hebrew and English inscriptions "Made in Israel," are a serious challenge to Jordanian public feelings and the Arab League's boycott policy, "Falastin" said yesterday.

The Truce Supervision Organization has been given a time limit to replace these tires before action is taken by the Jordan authorities to prevent such jeeps from crossing the lines.

Airport Preparing Runway for Jets

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday. — The second of the four main runways at the airport here is to be extended by 200 metres to 1,800 metres to enable jet planes to take off and land, Mr. Emanuel Tsur, the airport manager, said here yesterday.

The first runway was extended from 1,900 to 2,400 metres some months ago, and can now handle the fastest and heaviest planes in operation. The extension of the second runway will not mean the regrading of the airport from class "B."

There are only a few class "A" airports in the world. They must have runways of 2,800 metres.

Only three of the four runways are now in use by incoming and departing aircraft, as the fourth is now used by the Bedek aircraft maintenance base.

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US Guests to Attend Rotary Anniversary

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday. — The 25th anniversary of the Jerusalem Rotary Club may be attended by as many as 400 guests from the U.S., Mr. R. Silver, Director of the President's Office, told ITIM today.

Returned from a visit to Chicago, where the Rotary International Headquarters are located, Mr. Silver's term as Jerusalem Rotary Club President begins on July 1.

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JERUSALEM CINEMAS

At 3, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.

ARNON: Thief of Damascus.
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EDISON: Caged Women.
ORGIL: Rashe-Mon.
ORION: Nous Irons a Monte Carlo.
ORNA: The Snows of Kilimanjaro.
STUDIO The Winslow Boy.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 467 M.; HAIFA: 249 M.; TEL AVIV: 32.2, 48.9 & 322 M.

FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 7.30, 8.00, 6.15, 1.30 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 1 a.m., 1.15 and 8.30 p.m.
8.00 a.m. Morning Programme (Haifa only) 6.30 Service. 6.35 Exercise. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 7.45 Oriental Music (R). 8.30 Close Down.
12.00 N. "Music at Noon" (R). 12.30 Ballet Music (R). 1.45 Break for Music (R). 2.00 Close Down.
4.00 p.m. For Time Music (R). 4.45 Vocal Recital: Yitzhak Levi. 5.15 Talk. 5.35 Interlude (R). 5.50 Children's Hour. 7.00 Musical Echoes (R). 7.20 Agricultural Corner. 7.30 Cantoral Request Programme (R). 8.00 Tours in the Country. 8.25 Bible Reading. 8.45 The Building of the State: Mr. Peretz Bernstein. 9.00 Lucky Listener. 9.30 Dance Programme by Deborah Bertchov. 9.45 Classical Request Programme: The Swan of Tuonela (Sibelius); Symphony No. 7 (Bruckner). 11.05 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

468, 218, 212, 48.8 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m., 10.15 p.m. French News: 2.05 p.m.
IMMIGRANTS' HOUR (32.2, 24.9 & 4.60 M.): French: 7.30 p.m. Ladino: 8.00 p.m. Yiddish: 8.45 p.m.
KOL ZION LAGOLA (32.2 M.): 12.00 p.m. Newsreel. 12.10 Agricultural Review. 12.15 Musical greetings (R). 12.30 "The Week's News."
ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6, 218, 205 & 229 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Recital. 7.00 Requests. 7.30 Tomorrow's "Bamahane." 7.45 Light Music. 8.00 "Music Box." 8.30 News. 9.00 Lucky Listener. 9.30 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.
B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (24.96; 34.62; 30.53; 30.50 M.): 7.30-8.00 p.m. News, News Talk, Youth Magazine.
VOICE OF AMERICA English Broadcasts: (13.9, 19.6, 25.4, 31.1 M.): 1.00-5.00 p.m. Repeated at 5.00-8.00 p.m. on 31.6 & 31.1 M.

Demonstrators Attacked in Berlin

West Berlin policemen in action against Communists who tried to break up a West Berlin anniversary rally held to commemorate last year's June 17 disturbances in Eastern Germany. The 'Easterners' were attacked by angry West Berliners who beat them savagely before police rescued them.

(Express Photo)

Yesterday's Press:

Future Policy of Agudat Yisrael

The hope that the constructive forces will win the day at the Knessia Hagedolah, the World Congress of Agudat Yisrael, which convened yesterday in Jerusalem, is expressed by "Hatzofe" (World Mizrahi Union) and by "Zmanim" (Progressive). It goes without saying that the event is prominently featured in "Hamodia" (Agudat Yisrael) and "Hakol" (Agudat Yisrael dissidents) but most other papers also devote much attention to the Congress, particularly "Ha'aretz" (Independent), which publishes a detailed survey of the issues at stake by its Jerusalem correspondent.

"Hatzofe", organ of the Zionist wing of Orthodox Jewry, notes that the catastrophe of European Jewry on the one hand and the emergence of the State of Israel on the other have brought about important changes in the attitude of non-Zionist Orthodoxy towards the problems of the Jewish people. This has been shown clearly by the participation of Agudat Yisrael in the Government for some years. Unfortunately there has recently been a relapse of sterile separatism, and this is the more to be regretted in view of the dangerous trend towards eliminating the smaller parties, which makes orthodox unity more necessary than ever. In this connection, the paper deplores the undignified attitude of the organizers of the Congress towards the Chief Rabbi of the Holy Land and towards the Minister for Religious Affairs who were not invited to speak at the opening session.

The paper extends a cordial welcome to the delegates from abroad, most of whom are coming to Israel for the first time, and invites them to study our religious and national life without bias.

Separatist Trends

"Zmanim" (Progressive) emphasizes that no one in Israel is interested in settling old accounts with the non-Zionist Agudat Yisrael which, significantly enough, now convenes in Zion. The paper calls on the Congress to overcome separatist trends, and to decide for a free struggle for the Orthodox ideals within the framework of the State rather than for life in the Galut, where Jewish values are ultimately doomed to decay. The liberal paper stresses that a *kulturkampf* is quite unnecessary in Israel and would be highly detrimental.

"Davar" (Histadrut) supports the Government's news blackout on details of the negotiations with Mr. Eric Johnston, President Eisenhower's special envoy, which has now been lifted in part by Prime Minister Sharett. After analysing Mr. Sharett's statement of our general stand towards the American proposals, the paper stresses that we are still far from an agreed solution. Much is dependent on our own political maturity. "Davar" concludes, quoting the Prime Minister's words: "We should hope for the best and prepare for the worst."

"Haboker" (General Zionist) feels that Israel should go on with its Jordan development scheme without waiting for the outcome of the protracted negotiations with the U.S. and the Arab states, which prefer political tactics to the real needs of their own peoples. As far as possible, of course, our work should be planned with a view to account its eventual integration into a master plan for the exploration of all the water resources of the area, including the Litani river, which now flows unused into the Mediterranean.

"Herut" notes a marked deterioration of the border situation after a certain lull in Arab guerrilla warfare, and asserts that this week's skirmish with the Arab Legion in the Kalkilia district cannot be regarded as the massive retaliation, which would show the murderers that they cannot go on unpunished with their operations.

In a second leader, the paper speaks out against the reported persecutions of Betar youth in schools, and more particularly in religious State schools, where Mizrahi youth groups held an unwarranted monopoly.

"Ha'aretz" urges the Government to remain firm in view of the renewed strike threats of the Government doctors, and speaks out against the reported concessions of the Histadrut to Sick-Fund doctors: if granted, they would place the Government in an awkward position.

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist), on the other hand, sees in the separate negotiations with the Sick-Fund physicians a device to split the united front of the salaried doctors, and calls on them to go on strike to achieve the fulfilment of their demands.

One Triple, Many Doubles at Meet

The annual Yeheskiel Green Memorial track and field meet at the Tel Aviv Stadium, organized by the local Maccabi club, of which the former athlete (who fell in the War of Independence) was a member, produced one triple winner among the women, and three men, two youth and two girl "doubles." About 100 athletes took part in the two-day affair over the week-end.

Top honours went to teen-age Rina Weinreich, of Tel Aviv Maccabi, who won three events, equalling a Maccabi record in one. Her 13.0 second 100 metres win was the record-equaller, while both the jumps, high and long, went to her.

David Kushnir, of Jezreel Hapoel, clinched the men's long jump with a fine 6.70 metres, and the 100 metres in 11.2 secs. Long distance expert, Yosef Salman, of Haifa Maccabi, made the 1500 and 5000 metre events his own, while Tel Mond Hapoel's Silberman captured the two field events, discus and javelin throws. The B.M.A. youngster A. Adir returned 8.3 seconds in the women's 60 metres sprint. This was 0.1 better than her winning time of the previous week at a Maccabi meet.

Young Portenio, of Tel Aviv Maccabi North, continues to capture the limelight and was one of the youth "double" winners. He won the 100 metre in 11.7 seconds, 0.3 slower than a week earlier, and beat the rest of the field in the 800 metres in 38.6 secs. His clubmate, Y. Yarek, improved on his week-earlier discus throw by clearing 39.53 metres for a win, but needed less, 14.23 metres, to clinch the shot-put event. Young up-and-coming Simha Levy, of Tel Aviv Maccabi, won two girls field events, the discus-throw and shot-put.

RESULTS: Men: 100m.: D. Kushnir (Jezreel Hap.), 11.3 secs. 400 m.: Maallah (Ramat Gan Mac.), 54.46 secs. 1500 m.: Y. Salmon (H'fa Mac.), 4:15.2. 5000m.: Salma 16:07.6. LONG JUMP: D. Kushnir, 6.79m. DISCUS: Silberberg (Tel Mond Hap.), 37.41m. JAVELIN: Silberberg, 47.30m. HIGH JUMP: A. Kleinstub (T.A. Mac. N'tah), 1.81m. SHOT-PUT: Bonenstein (T.A. Mac. N'tah), 11.62m. WOMEN: 60m.: A.Adir (B.M.A.), 8.3 secs. 100 m.: R. Weiarsich (T.A. Mac.), 13.0 secs. (equals Maccabi record). LONG JUMP: R. Weinreich, 4.32m. HIGH JUMP: R. Weinreich, 1.33m. DISCUS: Simha Levy (T.A. Mac.), 32.05m. SHOT-PUT: S. Levy, 10.85m. YOUTH (up to 18): 100m.: Portenio (T.A. Mac. N'tah), 11.7 secs. 300m.: Portenio, 38.6 secs. 1000m.: Warshawsky (Petah Tikva Mac.), 4:09.6 SHOT-PUT: Y. Karek (T.A. Mac. N'tah), 14.52m. DISCUS: Karek, 39.43m. LONG JUMP: Golfund (B.M.A.), 5.06m.

At the Cinema

THE "Festival of Art Films," organized by the Ciné Club of Israel, opened on Sunday night at the Artists House, Jerusalem. The hall (was by no means full; the club was most probably in error in selling tickets only for the whole series. Five consecutive evenings of art films are heavy fare even for the most serious-minded.

The international programme included Dutch and Czechoslovak films on mediaeval art, an Italian film on Tiepolo, a French work on Manet and an American on the manufacture of neo-Baroque decorative panels for department stores.

The two gothic films were the best, although two such films in one programme are confusing. The black and white films on Tiepolo and Manet confirmed again that without colour one is given merely a superficial array of facts.

The American film was technically excellent. It is a pity that the only object worthy of such competent colour photography was the artist's magnificent chequered shirt which miraculously remained spotless through the whole complicated procedure.

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Shoshana Damari

SHOSHANA Damari, the Israel singer, will make her first film appearance in the Sikor film "Hill 24 Doesn't Answer."

She will also play a dramatic role apart from singing songs of the war during the film's battle scenes of fighting in the Negev, and will render a song in Arabic when she plays a member of the Arab minority who aided the Jews.

National Guard Bill To Be Emergency Decree

The Jordan Government has withdrawn the National Guard bill which it had submitted to the now-dissolved Chamber of Deputies and is expected to promulgate it as an emergency decree without parliamentary approval, the Old City "Falastin" has reported.

This is the first time since the dissolution of the Chamber that the Government is using its constitutional right to act both as an executive and legislative body.

In Beirut, the conference of graduates of the American University passed a resolution calling for the recruitment of Palestine Arab refugees into special units in the various Arab armies for the purpose of "reconquering the country." The conference also passed a resolution condemning the Johnston plan for the development of Jordan River resources.

A TEN-YEAR-OLD BOY fell from a roof in Jaffa yesterday while trying to capture a dove which he saw there, and was severely hurt.

Veteran Wins Three At Hapoel Tournament

Veteran athlete Sindle, of Natanya, captured the limelight at the Hapoel "B" Grade athletic championships held at Haifa over the week-end. The sports-man won three events in his sphere. Tel Aviv's Kana was next best, being the only performer to win two events. Over 70 Hapoelites turned out for the tournament.

Among the better results were the long jump win of Kirvat Haim's Y. Mandlebrot, with 6.01 metres, and the 11.85 metre shot-put of Dov Ze'ira, of Haifa. OTHER RESULTS: Men: 100m.: Kana (T.A.), 11.8 secs. 400m.: Kana, 53.6 secs. 1500m.: Komel (Be'eri), 2:49.3. 3000m.: Cohen (Be'eri), 10:03.0. HIGH JUMP: Beltner (Bet Kama), 1.50m. DISCUS: Gal (Kedarit), 31.09m. WOMEN: 100m.: Mizrahi (T.A.), 14.5 secs. VETERANS: Sindle (Natanya), three wins, 100m.: 12.5 secs. LONG JUMP: 5.09m., and HIGH JUMP: 1.20m.

Diane Leather Sets World Record

England's phenomenal girl runner, 21-year-old Diane Leather, the Birmingham University micro-analyst, who hit the headlines recently by being the first woman runner to cover the mile in under five minutes, set a world record of two minutes nine seconds in the 880 yards event at the White City Stadium (London).

All first five runners, including the former world record holder, who came in third, beat the previous best time of 2:14.5.

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In the District Court of Haifa
P.R. 167/54

In the matter of the late Marta Stark deceased at Yemin Orde near Haifa on November 20, 1952.
Petitioner: Boris Stark nee Halasz of Novisad Yugoslavia represented by Dr. Y. Benichel 3 Reh. Herzl, Haifa.
Summons to let all persons take notice that Boris Stark nee Halasz has applied to the District Court of Haifa for an order declaring the succession of the late Marta Stark and that the said application will be heard at the District Court of Haifa on (Tamuz 18, 5714) July 19, 1954, at 10.15 a.m.
Any person claiming any interest must appear at the said place and date, otherwise such order will be given as to the Court seems right.
S. BAZI,
Registrar District Court of Haifa
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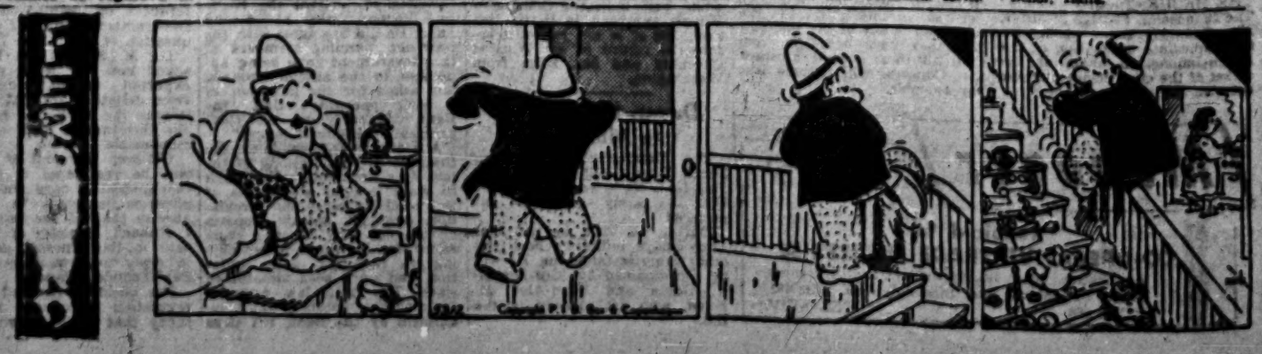

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DRAWINGS for holders of Series "B" Mandatory bonds will be held at 9 a.m. tomorrow in the Ohel Shem Hall in Tel Aviv and for Series "D" bonds at 9.45.

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A TWO-HOUR warning strike to back demands for better conditions and extra pay for night work was held by Blue Band employees yesterday morning. The workers said they will call a general strike unless their demands are met by July 7.

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STUDENTS OF the New Jerusalem Conservatoire and Academy of Music will perform in two concerts at 6 and 8 p.m. today in the Auditorium of Bet Hahalutzot, Jerusalem.

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MAYOR DAVID BEN ARI, of Bat Yam, has consented to divide part of the bathing beach in his area into separate sections for men and women, acting on a request by the Religious Council in Bat Yam.

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THE DISCUSSION between representatives of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and the Ministry of Finance on proposed amendments to the Law for the Encouragement of Foreign Investment has been completed. Recommendations are to be submitted to the next session of the Cabinet.

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AN UNIDENTIFIED hitch-hiker was seriously injured when he fell from a military truck near the Kastina ma'abara on Monday night. He was taken to the Assaf Harofe Hospital in an unconscious condition.

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A 71-YEAR-OLD WOMAN, Batya Yaffa, of Rehov Frishman, Tel Aviv, fell dead at the corner of Rehov Frishman and Dizengoff at midday yesterday.

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AN ALL NIGHT SEARCH for a six-and-a-half-year old girl in a camp near Ramle ended on Tuesday morning when the child was found in a neighbour's home. "I was afraid of the dogs running around the camp so I didn't go home," the girl told the police.

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THE SUM OF IL.870 intended for the payment of wages to employees of a pool construction company in Ramle was stolen from the company's cash box on Monday night.

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421 KILOS of green peppers, a Tnuva export, were flown to London yesterday by El Al.

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THE FOURTH of July (American Independence Day) will be celebrated on Saturday evening, July 3, at the Y.M.C.A. Auditorium, Jerusalem, by a festive programme of music, dancing, and other features. The celebration is under the joint auspices of the Israel-American Friendship League, the U.S. Information Centre, and the Y.M.C.A.

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THE LAYING of the 12-inch water pipeline from Beersheba to Kurnub and to Kfar Yeroham will be completed within four weeks. The line will later extend to Revivim and Mashavei Sadeh.

Sulha Ends Feud Prior to Trial

HADERA, Tuesday. — A Sulha (ceremonial feast of forgiveness ending a feud) was held at Baka el Gharbia today between the Hamdan and Dik families, the day before three members of the Dik family are to appear in the Haifa District Court on charges of having caused the death of Mahmoud Haj Hamdan, 35, three months ago.

During a business quarrel between members of the family the three Dik members beat Mahmoud Hamdan with sticks and stones, resulting in his death.

Today's Sulha, attended by the Military Governor and senior police officers, together with hundreds of villagers, culminated in the negotiated offer by the Dik family to pay IL.5,000 compensation to the family of the dead man.

The settlement was negotiated by Faris Hamdan, M.K., who was also present today.

400 HAIFA YOUTH IN CAPITAL

Some 400 members of the Haifa young traffic patrols toured the capital yesterday.

Prizes to the Jerusalem school children traffic patrols will be distributed tomorrow at the Luna Park in the presence of the Commander of the Jerusalem Police.

TE DEUM

A *Te Deum*, on the occasion of the name day of King Paul of Greece, was conducted yesterday by Archimandrite Ignatius at the St. Simeon's Church in Katamon, Jerusalem. Present were several members of the Greek Community and representatives of the Greek Consular staff in the capital. Mr. Jean Moschopoulos, the Greek Consul General in Jerusalem, left for the Old City yesterday morning to attend a similar service there.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM: 500 gms. Frozen meat for invalids with Med. Assn. Cards.

Bedouin Band Said Smuggling to Jews

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The existence of an organized group of Beduin which is engaged in smuggling goods from Jordan to Israel and in disposing of them to a Jewish group was disclosed today by Police Sergeant H. Vithanovsky, who was giving evidence in the Magistrate's Court here.

This was revealed following police application for a detention order against Israel Omri, a Tel Aviv Eshed driver, who is charged with receiving $1,400 in stolen travellers cheques and with paying $379 of this money to Beduin in March of this year in exchange for four tons of smuggled rice.

The rice could not be found, Sergeant Vithanovsky reported, as the Beduin failed to deliver the goods. After receiving payment from the Jewish buyers, the Beduin fired in the air. The buyers fled and the Beduin vanished, taking with them the dollars as well as the rice.

The police are now seeking to unravel this complicated affair, and many Negev Beduin suspected of being implicated in it are being investigated, Sergeant Vithanovsky said.

A seven-day detention order against Omri was issued.

Two persons suspected of smuggling into Israel IL.250,000 worth of linen were freed on bail today by the Tel Aviv Magistrate. Avraham Harari was released in the sum of IL.3,000 bail and Alfred Herzig in the sum of IL.2,100.

New Attempt To Stop Doctors' Strike

Representatives of the Government-employed physicians' organization were invited to meet with the special Ministerial Committee to negotiate regarding the doctors' demands.

The Ministerial Committee is reported to have formulated a new proposal for presentation to the physicians to try and prevent the strike scheduled for tomorrow, involving some 800 doctors employed by municipalities, and other institutions. Mapai has threatened that any member participating in the strike will be expelled from the party.

999 MORE DONORS NEEDED

The Jerusalem branch of Magen David Adom, whose employees are scheduled to go on strike today for non-payment of wages, yesterday received the following letter from Mr. Binyamin Moses, of Jerusalem.

"Enclosed is a cheque for IL.18, which is my humble contribution for your institution.

"In my opinion, there can be found without difficulty in this capital city of Jerusalem 1,000 persons who are ready to do as I did, to settle once and for all the debt owed to the MDA workers, and to permit this worthy institution to continue its work."

Nurses at Schweitzer Hospital Hold Strike

TIBERIAS, Tuesday. — A two hour warning strike was staged by surgical nurses at the Schweitzer hospital here today. The strike was in protest against the suspension of the chief nurse of the Department a month ago. The Nurses Association and the Labour Council warned the management that a general strike will be declared if the nurse is not returned to her work within a few days.

The hospital management claimed that the nurse broke hospital regulations and her case will be heard by a Health Ministry Disciplinary Court. Till then she has received "leave from work."

Youth Strike At Safad Labour Centre

SAFAD, Tuesday. — A sit-down strike by 75 young men and 53 girls demanding work, was staged in the Labour Exchange here today. The strikers stated that they had been unemployed for several months, and that 35 of the youths were the main breadwinners of their families. The local organizer of the Noar Haoved also joined in the action.

The Labour Exchange received 120 jobs for the unemployed 10 days ago, which eased the unemployment situation considerably. Today, however, 80 of the men were again dismissed and 150 jobless in addition to the striking youths, are now registered.

N.Y.U. to Conduct Courses Here

TEL AVIV, Tuesday — New York University is to hold two academic courses in Israel this summer, according to Professor A.I. Katch, head of the Hebrew Education and Culture Department of the University, who arrived here today.

One six-week course will be held in Jerusalem, and will be attended by 12 American professors and lecturers of Hebrew and Bible research.

The second course, to be held in Beit Berl near Kfar Saba, will be attended by 30 students, who will continue their studies at this sixth annual "summer workshop" of the University in Israel. The students, all teachers or social workers, are due to arrive by special plane next week.

25 U.S. TOURISTS HERE

A group of 25 American Christian tourists, travelling under the auspices of the American Christian Palestine Committee, arrived from the Old City yesterday and will visit in this country until July 7. The group, which consists mainly of clergymen, educators and newspapermen, is staying at the Eden Hotel.

We wish to thank all our relatives and friends for their good wishes on our wedding.

Fredi and Lily Weiss
(nee Drillmann)

'A Volley of Shots And Hannah Was Dead'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

"One day we heard a volley of bullets in the courtyard outside our cell. Later, we learned that they had executed Hannah Senesh," Tony," the French soldier captured with Hannah on the Yugoslav-Hungarian border yesterday told the Jerusalem District Court.

"Tony," in real life Antoine Tissendier, is the "Ivan" mentioned frequently as an "exemplary personality" in "Magen B'ester", published by the Jewish Agency, and "The Great Wind Comes", written by Mr. Yoel Palgi, the parachutist.

"Tony," a non-Jew, was testifying in a special session called by Dr. Benjamin Halevi, President of the Jerusalem District Court, in the Greenwald libel trial. Mr. Malkiel Greenwald is being tried for having libelled Dr. I. Kastner by saying he collaborated with the Nazis.

As a rule, the prisoners knew of impending executions since the soldiers made noisy preparations in the courtyard, "Tony" said. But this time the execution was not preceded by the usual arrangements so they did not witness the actual execution. In the same cell with him was Mr. Palgi, Peretz Goldstein, another parachutist, Fleischman, a Hungarian captured with Hannah, and Stefa, the Yugoslav partisan leader. They had regarded the week's delay in passing judgment on Hannah as a very "bad sign."

"Tony" said that while approaching the Hungarian border, the group stripped, tied their clothes to their heads, and swam across the river. The group, which in addition to Hannah and "Tony", consisted of Fleischman and Kalosh (who committed suicide when being captured), had to swim across the river several times to bring their equipment.

The witness admitted that his memory was weak on many particulars since some "minutes were like hours and some hours like minutes" and because the passage of 10 years had made exact time sequences and occurrences hazy.

He did not remember "Jerry" (Mr. Reuven Dafni, now Israel Consul in New York), nor that Hannah was called "Mini" in "Magen B'ester."

"Yesterday, I was told that it was believed that Mr. Palgi told me what to say in Court," concluded "Tony". "This is not so. If Mr. Palgi had told me what to say, I could answer much better on certain points. He only asked me to come and tell what happened. I would have come (to testify) for Hannah Senesh, Peretz Goldstein or Fleischman."

The trial continues tomorrow with the further evidence of Mr. Moshe Krause, former head of the Palestine Office in Budapest.

According to press reports on the evidence of M. Antoine Tissendier, a former parachutist, given at the trial of Mr. Greenwald on Monday, the impression might have been created that a ticket was issued to M. Tissendier free of charge by El Al. The airline states that it wishes to correct this impression. The ticket from Paris to Lydda and return issued to M. Tissendier was paid in full, El Al says.

Life-Long Eshed Pass For Being Born in Bus

HAIFA, Tuesday — Ashda Sasson, who was born in an Eshed bus while her mother was on the way to Government Hospital on January 1, was presented with a life-long free bus ticket and IL.100 by the local Eshed management at her home in Southern Tirat Hacarmel this morning.

The baby is named Ashda in honour of Eshed. The driver, Mr. Haim Boyarski, of Haifa, delivered the infant and then drove full speed to the hospital. Mr. Boyarski is a bachelor, but is to marry shortly.

The Sasson family came here from Alexandria in 1950, and Ashda is their fourth child. Mrs. Sasson is 29 years old. Her husband a labourer did not attend the ceremony, but went to work as usual.

Fine Changed to Jail Term for Bus Driver

An Eshed driver, whose carelessness contributed to the death of one of his passengers, was sentenced to two months in prison yesterday by the Supreme Court, sitting as a Court of Appeals. The original sentence, a IL.100 fine imposed by the Jerusalem District Court, was appealed by the Deputy State Attorney, Mr. S. Kwart, on grounds that the extreme carelessness evidenced by the driver warranted a prison term.

The driver, Ezra Nizan, had failed to close the doors of his bus because of the crush of early morning passengers, and at the last moment a man jumped on to the steps. When Nizan attempted to pass a car three metres in front of him, the man fell under the bus and was killed.

The Court was composed of Justices S. Cheshin, D. Goitein and Z. Berinson.

The Tel Aviv District Court yesterday increased the sentence imposed by the Magistrate's Court on David Vishnipolsky, Dan bus driver, found guilty of discourteous conduct towards passengers, from six days in prison, with the alternative of a IL.15 fine, to two weeks in prison or a IL.50 fine.

Agenda Fixed For Zionist Council

The Presidium of the Zionist General Council, under the Chairmanship of Mr. Yosef Sprinzak, met yesterday in Jerusalem to formulate an agenda for the plenary session of the General Council to begin on July 21.

The first session of the Council will be devoted entirely to Theodor Herzl's "The Jewish State." On the day prior to the opening session, the Council members will participate in a Ceremony of Unity which will take place on Mt. Herzl in Jerusalem.

The sessions will be devoted to problems of the Zionist movement and the Zionist Organization. Preparations for the next Zionists Congress will also be discussed.

Mr. Beri Locker, Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, was present at the meeting.

Reply to Observers' Complaints

The following is the translation of the full text of the Army spokesman's replies to complaints of the U.N. observers:

In connection with the complaints of the UN observers about improper treatment during the incident at Mevuot Betar, the Army spokesman stated:

1. The UN observers claim that during the incident a shot was fired in their direction.

   The Army officers who were in the area stated that during the strong exchange of fire the presence of the UN observers was not noticed and it may be possible that one bullet passed near them.

2. A UN observer claimed that an armed Israeli ran in his direction.

   It was found that after the killing of three members of the settlement, there was great tension at Mevuot Betar. One of their members, at one point, lost his head and ran shouting, but unarmed, in the direction of the observers. Another member of the settlement, who was armed with a rifle, stopped him from running towards observers. It is possible that the UN observer seeing both men clutching each other — imagined that the rifle was in the hands of the runner and not in the hands of the man who had stopped him.

The Army spokesman stated that lately there have been a number of misunderstandings with the UN observers which arose due to the incorrect procedure adopted by the observers, to wit:

a) General Bennike demanded the right to have UN observers not only as attaches to the Armistice Commission and acting on its behalf, but also in accordance with the Security Council's resolution of August 11, 1948, which calls for the continuation of the cease-fire.

b) In response to this demand by General Bennike, the Chief of Staff announced on behalf of the Israel Government that concerning the question of the scope of the UN observers, it is noted that the resolution of August 11, 1948, of the Security Council determined that the truce, with all the regulations pertinent to it, was superseded by the General Armistice Agreement which also incorporated the cease-fire provisions. Consequently, it is obvious that the observance and maintenance of the cease-fire is to be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the General Armistice Agreement.

Israel regards the Armistice Agreement as a basis for the activity of UN observers and the definition of their functions, in accordance with the Armistice Agreement, as binding. This definition provides that the observers may only go out for investigation on the spot in accordance with the decision of the Armistice Commission and not on their own initiative, and that, in accordance with procedure, they must be accompanied in each case by the officers in whose territory they are making the investigation.

c) The spokesman remarked that it is surprising that although the Chief of Staff's reply is very clear as to Israel's stand on this matter, it seems to have been ignored, and the UN observers were sent to Israel territory to investigate without obtaining prior consent and without being accompanied by Israel officers.

d) This step is a source of misunderstanding since the Israel Defence Forces officers have received explicit instructions to allow UN observers to enter Israel territory for investigation only when they are accompanied by the Israel officers of the Armistice Commission. The arrival of the UN observers alone at the place of the incident, with the intention of creating a *fait accompli* by their appearance, lowered the difference of opinion to the level of officers and soldiers in the field, instead of having the principles cleared and summed up at the higher level where the instructions originated. The orders of General Headquarters instruct all concerned to treat UN personnel with the utmost possible civility, even if their actions contradict the instructions given to the Israel soldiers. If these orders were contravened at any point we can only express our deep regret.

The only efficient way to prevent similar incidents in the future is to ensure that the UN observers act within the scope of their authority as defined in the Armistice Agreement.

No Cotton Shortage

There is no shortage of cotton in the country. This was the conclusion reached at a meeting of representatives of the mills with Mr. Z. Susayeff, Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry.

The meeting was called after textile factories had complained of a cotton shortage, the Ministry spokesman said yesterday.

The mill owners have agreed to institute a third shift in order to supply the textile factories with enough cotton.

Turkish Bus Snatcher Recard from Eshed

ISTANBUL, Tuesday (Reuter). — A Turkish woman, Heyriye Kusukbore, 27, wife of a civil servant at Adana, gave birth to triplets — one normal boy and Siamese twin girls — in a bus while returning to Adana from Ankara on Sunday, the Adana Hospital said.

Women passengers acted as midwives. The mother and children are now in Adana Hospital and doctors there doubt whether the triplets would live.

164 Immigrants Set Sail, 165 Arrive

HAIFA, Tuesday. — A five-day-old baby girl who was born aboard the s.s. Negbah on the high seas, and named Tikva Negbah (hope of the Negbah), was among the 165 immigrants who arrived here today.

To mark the happy event, the ship's passengers decided to inscribe her name in the J.N.F. Golden Book. The baby is the second child of Mr. and Mrs. Mr. Levy. Mr. Levi had been in the country before and had left to bring his family from Morocco. The mother is 20 years old.

The others came mainly from North Africa and included a small number from South America. The vessel brought 156 tourists and returning residents.

The s.s. Messapia also arrived here today with four emigrants from South America, one from Australia, and 103 tourists and returning residents.

Other arrivals included six students from Froeden, Holland who will stay here for two months under the International Students' Exchange Scheme. Sixty foreign students are due here this year while 120 Israel students will study abroad. Work and housing for the students have been assured.

J'lemite Among Winners Of UN Contest

UNITED NATIONS, Tuesday (USIS). — Mr. Mordecai Rushwald, of Jerusalem, is among the winners of the sixth annual international essay competition organized under the auspices of the UN Department of Public Information, according to an announcement here. Mr. Roshwald, a member of the Israel Society for the United Nations, is also a frequent contributor to *The Jerusalem Post*.

The U.N.'s recent announcement of 15 winners from many countries included four winners from the Middle East, a record topped only by five winners from Europe. Latin America and the Far East each had two winners. The United States and Australia each has one winner.

Each contestant was required to submit an essay of approximately 2,000 words on "the role of education in developing international understanding" or on "economic development and world peace."

Mr. Roshwald will receive a two-week stay in Geneva with all facilities for studying U.N. institutions here.

First Exports Of Asbestos Pipe

HAIFA, Tuesday. — The first export of 30 tons of asbestos cement pressure pipe, manufactured by the Isasbest factory in Naharlya, was shipped to Cyprus aboard the m.v. Nirit this morning. The shipment consisted of 3,000 metres of four-inch pipe tested to withstand a pressure of 12 atmospheres.

Asbestos cement joints for linking the pipes are included in the shipment. The vessel also took 38 tons of sulphuric acid, six tons of glass jars and three tons of aluminium ware.

Bakers' Profits To Be Discussed

The question of an increase in the price of bread, or an alternative method of increasing bakers' profits, is to be discussed tomorrow by Mr. Levi Eshkol, Minister of Finance, Mr. Y. Gluckman, Director-General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, and representatives of the Bakers' Association.

The Ministry of Commerce spokesman refused to state the amount of increased profit proposed by Mr. P. Bernstein, the Minister of Commerce, but he indicated that it was less than the eight prutot a loaf reported in some newspapers.

On Monday, the Ministerial Economic Committee considered Mr. Bernstein's proposal to reduce the cost of flour to bakers, but a decision was postponed.

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Aid for Strawberry Growers Planned

The Ministry of Agriculture will aid strawberry growers to cover 30 dunams with hot houses next season in order that the fruit will be ready for export by late December instead of April, the Ministry spokesman said yesterday in Jerusalem.

Since April this year, 179 kgs. of strawberries have been flown to Britain on an experimental basis. They sold for £306 with the net profit amounting to £144.

On the question of the export of groundnuts, the spokesman stated that the whole matter would be reviewed this year, particulary the subsidy aspect. At present, there is a subsidy of 400 pruta per dollar for exported groundnuts.

The spokesman stressed the advantage of exporting fruits and vegetables in their fresh state, since the added value is then extremely high. Subsidies were usually justified in such cases. Once a product is canned or otherwise processed, the added value usually decreases, and if a subsidy is paid in addition there is often no real gain to the economy.

Credit Talks Going On At Cologne

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday. — Negotiations for credit on account of German Reparations payments for the coming years are now being conducted between the Israel Purchasing Mission at Cologne and the German authorities, Mr. Hillel Dan, Director-General of the Shilumim Corporation, announced here today on his return from Germany.

He declined to reveal details of the negotiations, but said that Dr. P. Shinnar, head of the Mission in Germany who participated in the London talks for reduction in the cost of fuel, was due back in Germany today to join the talks.

Ex-Constable Jailed For Stealing Bills

A six-month sentence imposed by the Jerusalem District Court on a policeman convicted of stealing IL.60 when on duty, was confirmed yesterday by the Supreme Court sitting as a Court of Appeals.

Sent to investigate a fire in a *ma'bara* near Tel Aviv on June 30, 1951, the accused, Aharon Bezalel, collected some bank notes which were charred. After the owners of the notes had been verified, the policeman was sent to Tel Aviv's Bank Leumi, to have them exchanged for new bank notes.

The bank asked that the pieces first be pasted together, but the policeman requested an immediate exchange of seven notes, amounting to IL.60, because of the extreme need of the owners. The District Court found the accused guilty, saying that the money did not find its way into the hands of the rightful persons.

Sues Haifa Plant For IL.75,000 Damages

HAIFA, Tuesday. — A claim for IL.75,000 damages against Fertilizers and Chemicals, Ltd., was filed in the District Court here today by Ya'acov Yemin, 27, of the *ma'bara* Kfar Hasidim. Yemin, a father of four children, said that in October, 1952 he received disabling injuries that will incapacitate him for life.

The accident occurred at the plant while he was digging a pit for the foundation of a new factory building.

Two Hurt When Jeep Overturns

REHOVOT, Tuesday. — A jeep belonging to the Potash Works in Sdom overturned yesterday near Gedera, injuring the driver and a passenger. The vehicle caught fire and was gutted.

The driver, Max Auerbuch, 35, of Ramat Gan and the passenger, Mr. M. Maxian, 47, of Natanya, were brought to the Kaplan Hospital here.

Soviet Legation Car, Motorcycle Collide

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — A car belonging to the Soviet Legation here collided with a motor-cyclist in the Petah Tikva Road last night, causing slight injuries to the motorcyclist, Mr. Arye Abramovitz of Bat Yam, and his pillion passenger, Mr. Zvi Nussbaum.

Mr. Abramovitz was detained and released in bond. There was no damage to the Legation car and no injuries caused to its driver or passengers.

In the District Court of Haifa
P.R. 171/54

In the matter of the late Rivka Nasha Tay nee Hoffmann of 11 Reh. Nahalal, Bat Galim, Haifa, deceased on April 10, 1954.

Petitioner: Moshe Aharon Tay of 11 Reh. Nahalal, Bat Galim, Haifa, represented by Dr. A. Gross, Advocate, of 47 Derekh Ha'atzmauth, Haifa.

Summons — let all persons take notice that Moshe Aharon Tay has applied to the District Court of Haifa for an order declaring the succession of the late Rivka Nasha Tay and that the said application will be heard at the District Court of Haifa on (Tammuz 12, 5714) July 19, 1954 at 11.15 a.m.

Any person claiming any interest must appear at the said place and date, otherwise such order will be given as to the Court seems right.

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Action on Rent Law Urged

The effect of the Tenants' Protection Law on the small shopkeeper was described to the Press in Jerusalem yesterday by Mr. Ephraim Goussman, Executive Secretary of the General Merchants' Association.

He revealed that a petition was submitted on Monday to the Speaker of the Knesset and the Knesset Legislation Committee urging the Committee to speed action on part two of the rent law, which deals with landlord-tenant relations on matters other than rent, such as the circumstances under which a tenant may be evicted.

It was of utmost importance that the rent tribunals provided for in the law be set up immediately, Mr. Goussman said. Rulings of these tribunals would be retroactive to April 1, 1954, and most shopkeepers would be in no position to pay such a lump sum at one time, he declared.

Mr. Goussman was particularly bitter about the efforts of the Custodian of Abandoned Property to take advantage of the rent law. The Custodian had never been subject to the freezing of rents, he explained. Rents for abandoned property were fixed in 1949; in 1951 they were raised 50% and in 1952 the total was again increased by 50%. Now the Custodian was demanding 115% more.

Several members of the Legislation Committee had told him that they never intended the Custodian to benefit from the new law, Mr. Goussman continued. He added that most persons with shops in abandoned property were invalids, bereaved parents, and new immigrants. There are from 6,000 to 7,000 shops on the Custodian's property.

Mr. Goussman states that a survey taken in January showed that Beersheba consumers were in debt to food shops to the extent of IL.200,000. In Ramle, the figure was IL.140,000. He mentioned in this connection that consumer cooperatives *(tzarhaniot)* do not grant credit.

Trip at Sea For 320 Pupils

HAIFA, Tuesday. — The s.s. Artsa was today thronged with 320 schoolchildren aged from eight to 17 and about 80 parents and teachers who were taken on a one-day trip out to sea. The trip was organised by Mundus Tours under the supervision of the Ministry of Education. Lessons were given aboard.

The children are from Tel Aviv, Haifa, Ramat Gan and the Sharon and special railway carriages took them to and from the port. This is the first trip of its kind and tomorrow another 280 children and 50 parents will embark for the day's outing.

Vatican Not Opposed To Calendar Reform

ROME, Tuesday (Reuter). — The Catholic Church will not oppose a reform of the present calendar, if the reform is based on sound reasons, a writer in the Vatican newspaper, Osservatore Romano, said yesterday. The writer, Jesuit Father Daniel J. K. O'Connell, director of the Vatican's Astronomical Observatory, dealt in his article with an Indian Government proposal for calendar reform.

India is to discuss the reform at the UN Economic and Social Council meeting in Geneva tomorrow.

It would adjust the lengths of the months, giving the year four equal quarters. The last day of the year — and in leap years the day after June 30 — would be "extra" days, not belonging to any week or month. This would bring any particular date on the same day of the week each year. Closely connected with calendar reform is the question of fixing the date of Easter.

FIRE. — Alfredo Baroni, 73, of Pisa, accidentally drank from a bottle of petrol in his darkened kitchen. He spat the petrol out, it spiashed onto the stove and a stream of liquid fire shot back into his mouth. He is gravely ill in hospital.

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Blind Insist On Work or Aid

The Knesset Presidium made every effort to negotiate with representatives of the some 25 blind persons who have been demonstrating near the Knesset since Monday, Mr. Moshe Rosette, the Knesset Secretary, told the press last night.

Even though the group had demonstrated near the Knesset before and were well aware of the Knesset rules regarding the receiving of delegations, the Sergeant-at-Arms went out to the group on Monday and told them that a delegation of two or three would be received. They insisted that the entire group be received.

Then Mrs. Bath-Sheva Katznelson, on behalf of the Knesset Public Services Committee, and Mr. Rosette, spoke to the group, promising them that they would be helped, and giving them a letter from the Ministry of Social Welfare in which they were promised an increase of IL.10 in their monthly allowance. The girls in the group, who were unwilling to attend a one-year trade school course in Natanya, were promised that they would not be abandoned by the government after the termination of the course.

The men and women were taken from an institution for the blind in Iraq and flown to Israel by the Jewish Agency three and a half years ago. They are now living in *ma'barot* near Tel Aviv, Hadera and Haifa.

They told *The Jerusalem Post* that they had turned down the offer for an increase of IL.10 to their present monthly subsidy of IL.10 given them by the Social Welfare Ministry. The strikers are demanding a monthly subsidy of IL.40 for single men and women and IL.70 for those with families. They will remain in their positions until either suitable work or subsidies are granted them, the strikers said. The Knesset adjourns tomorrow until its next sitting on Monday.

AGUDA

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into the night with the delegates extending greetings. Today, the delegates will meet in committees.

Mr. Harry Goodman, head of the British delegation to the World Congress, said yesterday that he had approached General Vagn Bennike, U.N. Chief of Staff, with the request to permit a "small group composed primarily of American and British delegates," to cross into the Old City to offer prayers at the Western (Wailing) Wall.

Rabbi Eliezer Silver, President of the Union of Orthodox Rabbis of America, who arrived here yesterday by El Al, said that no reply had yet been received to a similar message he sent to President Eisenhower, although one was expected momentarily.

The Chief Rabbi, Dr. I.H. Herzog, yesterday sent greetings to the Agudat Yisrael World Congress, following his refusal to attend.

In his telegram, the Chief Rabbi transmitted a prayer for peace and unity among the delegates. Several delegations of Aguda Rabbis visited the Chief Rabbi on Monday and again yesterday to try to convince him to attend, but Rabbi Herzog remained adamant.

MISSION. — The first Chinese Communist trade mission ever to visit Britain arrived there by air on Monday from Geneva.

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KEEPING JORDAN TIME

By GERDA L. COHEN

"ISN'T your watch an hour slow?" we asked the United Nations driver. "Oh no," he chuckled, "up at Government House we keep Jordan time. It's awkward for me because I forget the difference when I come to your side of the line."

This is only one of the inconveniences attached to working with one foot in the Old City and the other in New Jerusalem. The U.N. Truce Supervision Organization headquarters stand midway. From the check-post at Abu Tor, a deserted demilitarized slope leads to the knoll crowned with cypress and the white roof of what was formerly Palestine's Government House. Visitors must pass both the Israel sentry and the U.N. security guard before they can enter the imposing marble portals. The panorama of the Old City is worth the taxi-fare. Like an elephant's grey head, the Dome of the Rock dominates spire, cupola, and huddling mauve roof.

As the sun slid down it flushed the whole valley with pink and apricot, leaving new Jerusalem in pallor. "That's why I put up with this job," said a U.N. guard who counted the days till he might see evening at home in America.

There are 100 people working at U.N. Headquarters, radio operators, gardeners, clerical and administrative employees. "We have neither Moslem nor Jew on the whole staff," an official assured us. But there are Christian Arabs from both sides of the line, in addition to Abyssinians, Greeks and Armenians, chosen as the most neutral of local elements. A Filipino and a Pakistani complete the cosmopolis.

Only eleven Observers are attached to the Israel-Jordan M.A.C. with headquarters in Jerusalem, while the remaining 26 Observers are stationed in Kuneitra (Syria), Gaza and Nakura or Beirut, to deal with the other Mixed Armistice Commissions. None of the team actually lives in Israel. A pair of Canadian officers contemplate a move to new Jerusalem, and one of the eight officers at Gaza (following a request by the Israel authorities) was to have been transferred to Beersheba. These plans await implementation. "It's much cheaper living in the Old City," explained an official, "and easier to get accommodation." But other U.N. employees and consular staff familiar with conditions on both sides of the barbed wire, admit that since the favourable exchange rate came into force here a year ago, buying-power has been equalized. The U.N. drivers — whose salary can hardly exceed that of the Observers — live comfortably in Rehavia. Senior officials reside in the American Colony, Jerusalem, Jordan.

T.S.O. Headquarters keep radio contact with the Observer team. For public use, a single telephone line connects Israel with U.N. Headquarters, which of course has a line to Jordan territory. Outside office hours, Old City inhabitants — be they army officers or newspaper men — enjoy a much better chance of catching the U.N. official at home. Foreign correspondents on this side fumed in vain when Old City reporters beat them to a story again and again. Last October, the U.N. Secretariat declined General Bennike's request for a Press Officer and despatched a Political Adviser, whose duties would include fostering public relations.

Mr. Cremona's career began auspiciously with a reception of local correspondents. The U.N. hinted at weekly conferences, briefings after M.A.C. sessions, and an attempt to present the difficulties of a neutral force. Nothing came of this. Thinking discretion the better part of valour, the Political Adviser took refuge behind a barricade of polite ignorance. Occasionally, the more sensational items in the daily press impelled a frigid denial. Reporters who managed to trap him into a telephone conversation soon discovered that "no comment" was the rule. On Saturday, Sunday, holidays and numerous trips out of Jerusalem, the Press Officer left an empty desk. Finally, he regretted that pressure of work would permit him to answer correspondents only between ten and eleven a.m. daily. The atmosphere could not have been less friendly, had the U.N. wilfully tried to antagonize the rebuffed mounders of public opinion.

The arrival of a "real" Press Officer last month presaged a change of attitude. Mr. Fisher handled press relations for the Palestine Conciliation Commission between 1948 and '51, and has already proved his determination to mend matters. He declared that he would either find a home in new Jerusalem or camp at U.N. Headquarters. This grand residence in vaulted Turkish style, which pleased past High Commissioners should meet with approval from U.N. officials. In fact, General Bennike had considered making his home there before he decided on the American Colony.

Special 'Plane

Why did eight months elapse before the U.N. Secretariat realized that public relations is Israel lay on their death-bed? Shortage of funds has been the plea. The U.N. could not afford a Press Officer, but it could afford ten additional Observers. Expenses had to be cut. Nevertheless, a twin-engined plane with a crew of four recently made its debut at Kalandia Airport, Jordan, for the sole use of T.S.O. officers. In face of these facts, one can only assume that New York headquarters do not understand Jerusalem, where even a snubbed journalist can be invested with political meaning.

How does U.N. Headquarters get to understand the climate of the two Jerusalems? Fraternization is understandably not encouraged. U.N. people mix with other "foreigners" in the Colony and from the consulates. They go to the club run by U.S. Marines in new Jerusalem, where hard currency is the only tender, and the hard drink of high quality. Or they go dancing at a Ramallah night-club, far livelier than anything offered by our sober Capital whose cafes shut at 10.30.

The prevailing attitude is that U.N. staff should not become involved with nationals during their tenure.

Despite this, General Bennike's driver, a U.S. marine, recently married an Israel girl. The normal two years' assignment may be extended on request of the U.N. or the government concerned, but seldom on personal grounds. Some officers have done duty since the T.S.O. took on its present shape. Captain Goumard, for example, will soon end his five years of supervision in the Mount Scopus zone, and return to France.

The Observers have an unenviable task; unpopular with the people they've tried to help, they consider themselves temporary exiles.

WATER FROM DESERT

(NANA).—

A Swedish inventor has devised a portable appliance that enables travellers to extract drinking water from desert air. The device, perfected by Prof. B. Mallstrom, hydraulics specialist at the technical college of Stockholm, is made of two yards of plastic material and can be folded. Set out after sunset in the desert, it is said that the appliance will accumulate one quart of pure water during the night.

HEARD ABROAD

American aid prevented France from drowning herself. It was NOT supposed also to teach her how to swim—M. Mendes-France.

To let an ice fall down a rich woman's back is, in the public's opinion, to let her have what she deserves—Mr. Charlie Chaplin.

I suppose I can take an address at the Berkeley Hote. as evidence of means—Mr. Justice Bale.

To choose a job at the age of 29 because it leads to a pension is like choosing a town to live in because it has a good cemetery—Dr. D.M. Thompson.

I only believe in other people's luck—M. Jean-Paul Sartre.

UNSINKABLE

A demonstration was held in London last week of an "unsinkable" swim-suit. The suit is made by Mr. Mark Shaw of Morecambe, who invented it 18 months ago and, as reaction in Britain was "rather slow," he took it to America and Canada where it is now being used in water treatment of polio cases. Secret of the floating suit are the panels of "breathing fabric" that trap the air and guarantee to surface the wearer in four seconds.

Express Photo

Today's Eclipse Will Measure Distance Between Continents

WASHINGTON, (NANA). — WHEN the moon slides in front of the sun today, it will probably be the most gazed-at celestial occurrence in science's history. Such feats will be attempted as measuring the distance between North America and Europe — with results expected to be accurate within a centimetre — to determine whether the continents are on the move.

This will be done by timing the first and last contact of the moon's shadow with the sun at 12 observing stations along the 5,000- kilometre path from Nebraska to Pakistan.

Three methods of time observation will be used. One photographs the crescent of the sun directly as the moon passes between it and the earth. Another shows the reversed spectrum as the moon passes. The third measures the sun's decreasing light intensity. Because the speed of the moon's shadow and the precise time of its locations will be determined, distances can be computed with extreme accuracy.

The precise distance between North America and Europe is of considerable theoretical importance. Scientists say there is some reason to believe that the two land masses may be drifting either away from, or toward each other, as is assumed to have happened in the past. So slow would be any drift, however, that it could be computed only by radio transmission intervals measured over periods of years. Results to date have been vague, due in part to inadequate knowledge of precise distances.

All the measurements along the path will require split-second timing and all the instruments must be in absolute readiness to go into action. The most intensive work at each site must be completed in a period of a little more than three minutes, including the few moments before, during and after the phases of total eclipse.

Mendes-France Wins Wide Support

New Premier's Determination Exhilarates French

By DENNIS BLOODWORTH

PARIS (CFNB). —

It is now generally conceded here that whatever the ultimate fate of his government, French political Parties have decided to give the new Premier every chance to solve the Indo-China problem by July 20. Although six Opposition interpellations were tabled for discussion yesterday, M. Mendes-France had no difficulty in obtaining a crushing majority for his proposals that these should be postponed. The Communists, whom he offended at his investiture by repudiating their valuable support in the Assembly and refusing to invite them to join the Government, again voted for him *en bloc*.

Furthermore, the two MRP Deputies and the one dissident Gaullist who have taken office under M. Mendes-France have been told by their Parties—both of which belong to the Opposition — that although they are no longer considered members of their respective Parliamentary groups, they have not been completely expelled (as was originally threatened).

This tacit truce should give the Premier a freer hand in his negotiations over Indo-China. But critics fail to see how he can improve on the policy of the former Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bidault, unless he makes substantial concession to the Communist Vietminh.

Courageous Realist

Known for his physical and moral courage, M. Mendes-France is a realist. He believes France has been too ambitious in too many fields, and that as a result is now weak everywhere. France's problems, he says, must be regarded not singly but as part of a closely-related whole.

In 1953 he said that he was opposed to the unification of European armed forces and economies because France had too small an army in Europe to balance renascent German forces, and too weak an economy to face competition in common European markets. This situation, he added, was closely linked to the war in Indo-China, which absorbed French m[an]-power and resources. He has since affirmed that France's future lies rather in closer union with its territories in Africa, where he advocates a liberal policy of reform to calm nationalist susceptibilities.

United to a peaceful and prospering North Africa, and relieved of the burden of the Indo-Chinese war, which he has described as "an adventure without issue," France could devote its resources to overhauling production, improving the standard of living at home and taking its rightful place as a power in Europe.

'Remain in East'

But although M. Mendes-France has made plain his opposition to a continuing war in Indo-China, he has now promised that "France will remain in the Far East." What has glibly been described as his "policy of abandon" in Vietnam has always been qualified by his practical approach to problems.

His criticism of previous Governments has not been so much that they pursued the war but that they pursued it half-heartedly. They did not dare to send out large contingents of National Servicemen to finish off the enemy quickly so that France's energies could be diverted to other pressing affairs. What plans he has up his sleeve for Indo-China, therefore, are still not known, although his policy appears to be to arrange for a military truce before any political negotiations are begun.

There is no doubt that he has given France an exhilarating sense of having broken with the sterile past by plunging into a novel political adventure full of promise. For the past seven years Frenchmen have been exasperated by the weak policies and the hesitation of successive Governments which were at the mercy of the internally divided majorities that gave them power.

The new Government has captured the imagination for two reasons. First, it has produced an entirely new coalition; second, the Prime Minister is not the man to dilute the heady essence of his bold programme with compromises designed to please his majority. A man with definite ideas about France's salvation, he wishes to bring strength and decision to its voice in the world, or resign.

Despite the general note of renewed optimism here, however, experts point out that the Mendes-France coalition is in many ways as threatened and as divided on important issues as its predecessors. The Prime Minister has promised to reconcile supporters and opponents of the European Defence Community with an alternative solution for German rearmament. But the French Assembly still contains considerable elements — notably the Catholic MRP, half the Socialists and half the Radicals — who are loyal to the original treaty, and there are pro- and anti-EDC factions in the Government coalition itself.

E.D.C. Opposition

Again, the motives of anti-EDC groups are extremely diverse — the Communists are opposed to any form of German rearmament, for example, while the Gaullists are not opposed to a German army but to the sacrifice of French military sovereignty which a merger of forces would involve. How M. Mendes-France, himself opposed to EDC, hopes to find a formula agreeable to a substantial majority — and he has insisted that he can back no plan which does not have overwhelming support — is causing much speculation.

It has been dogmatically stated in the past week that in view of M. Mendes-France's rise to power, the European army treaty must be considered dead. But despite a revolutionary change of Ministry, the composition of the French Assembly and the prejudices of its members remain the same. The all-powerful Parliament may at any time overthrow the Prime Minister over one of many controversial issues, and either the dissolution of Parliament or a Government with the old classical majority could be expected to follow him.

The Prime Minister holds two strong cards: his own uncompromising yet eminently practical political character, and the prestige to be won by any man who can gratify France's deep desire to extricate itself from the tragic tangle of Indo-China. There is nevertheless a growing fear here that his Ministry will be no more than a 30-day wonder.

Readers' Letters

DANGEROUS PARALLEL

Editor, the Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The Tel Aviv District Court ruling that two Israel girls should not be handed over to their Austrian father, but should remain in Israel according to their wish (*The Jerusalem Post*, May 27) offers an interesting but rather dangerous parallel with the cases of European Jewish war orphans still living with Christian families who refuse to part with them. The best-known and most striking parallel in reverse is that of Anneke Beekman.

Anneke, as will be recalled, was during the German occupation of Holland, committed as an infant to the care of some Catholic ladies who brought her up as a Catholic. When, in 1949, the child was finally awarded to Jewish guardians (her parents had died in a concentration camp) the child was said to have "run away" and has been missing ever since. Nearly three months ago she was traced with one of her foster mothers to a Belgian convent, but the couple managed to escape again at the last moment.

Catholics claim that "a child has a right to be consulted with regard to the place in which it wishes to be brought up" and that "the welfare of the child must be the paramount consideration." (The same expressions occur in your report of the Tel Aviv case). Anneke, who is now 13 years old—like the eldest of the two Israel girls—"is old enough to know what she wants, and showed this clearly by running away when fearing to be transferred to Jewish surroundings," the Catholics claim. Nearly the same argument is used in Israel where the girls also ran away. (Whether Anneke "ran away" or was "spirited away" by others is not clear; no one has been able to speak to the girl, who remains hidden).

Finally, Anneke's guardians are clinging to the child, though the Jewish Board of Guardians has explicitly stated that on her return Anneke will be tested by experienced non-Jewish psychologists and that, if it is thought undesirable, she would not be transferred to Jewish surroundings. The Israel court gave its ruling, though the father undertook that the girls would be brought up as Jews.

Anneke, apparently, fears the possibility of a Jewish upbringing, though she knows nothing of Jews and Judaism except what her Catholic guardians have taught her. The Israel girls, apparently, dread living outside Israel, though they have never been outside the country and know about the Diaspora only from hearsay.

Loyal Israelis may tend to agree fully with the view of the Israel children; yet is the parallel not rather dangerous?

Yours etc.,
HENRIETTE BOAS

Amsterdam, June 10.

SCRAP IRON

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir,— Referring to [the] article you published on Jun[e] on the export of scrap iron from Israel, we should like to stress the following:

1) Israel is not importing scrap iron. The item mentioned in your article was pig iron scrap for foundry purposes.

2) For the time being there is no possibility of using scrap iron in Israel, as we have no blast furnaces here. Even in the near future, such possibilities will not exist owing to the high price of fuel in this country. The Solel Boneh factory in Acre referred to is also unable to use scrap iron in the form available here.

3) The present stocks of scrap iron in the country are estimated at 65,000 to 75,000 tons. If exported these may yield large sums in hard currency. Our stocks of scrap iron increase by nearly 10,000 tons every year, so in case of need in the distant future, sufficient raw material will be at hand even if the present stocks are exported and turned in for the dollars our country needs so urgently.

Yours, etc.,
J. HAUSDORFF, Director
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Tel Aviv, June 10.

The fact remains that the Minister of Development, during his visit to the smelting plant in Acre which is scheduled to open soon, said that it was "a crime" to export scrap which would now be needed here. The Government has, in fact, practically stopped issuing export licences for scrap for that very reason.

— ED.

YAM GROWING

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — There is little opportunity to try out sweet potatoes because they are seldom offered for sale in the towns. No market provides it and the specialty vegetable stores only occasionally sell it and at prices not below that of the ordinary potato.

Yam growing should be included in the Government's development plans, and the sale of cheap and appetizing sweet potato dishes (similar to the popular *falafel*) in Government-sponsored stalls might make it popular.

Yours etc.,
G. G.

Tel Aviv.

MUSICAL DIARY

GIUSEPPE Sammartini's sonata made a dignified curtain-raiser for Paul Tortelier's cello recital at the Y.M.C.A. on Monday night. Due to the unforeseen departure of Mme. Tortelier, it was substituted for the concerto for two celli by Couperin le Grand, and followed by the unaccompanied Suite No.3 in C major by Bach, a magnificent and devout statement.

The rest of the programme was "out of this world." The Brahms sonata in F major, op. 99, executed with Moshe Lustig's brilliant assistance at the piano, was pure luminous magic. Joaquin Nin's Spanish Suite was rendered in an unprecedented manner: the tone had a pied piper's sweetness, and the pizzicato had the quality of a guitar. The phenomenal Tortelier made a virtuoso instrument of the cello.

The soloist's own Theme and Variations was another treat — charming and refined in its contrasts, sensuous in harmonics. It was followed by Prokofieff's unaccompanied march, a bewitching reading of Sarasate's Zapateado, and Ravel's Habanera. We have never heard such applause after a cello recital. *FRANCO*

Verdi Letters

ON the occasion of the first Israel performance of Verdi's "Requiem" by the Philharmonic tonight, it is fitting to reproduce some Verdi letters, included in a collection published by Franz Werfel in 1926, and re-translated here from the German. Mo.

S. Agata, May 28, 1873

To Giulio Ricordi
(grand-son of the founder of the publishing house)

Dear Giulio, I am deeply moved by the death of this truly great man (the poet Alessandro Manzoni, for whom the Requiem was written). He belonged to us, but I will not come to Milan tomorrow. I lack the courage to participate at the funeral. Soon I will come, soon, to visit the grave, alone, unnoticed, to prepare a way of honouring his memory. Do not tell anyone of my plan. It is no pleasure to me to have the newspapers talk about me and quote me as saying and doing things I never said or did.

May 29, 1873

To Countess Clarina Maffei
(a life-long friend)

I was not at the funeral, but few people who did attend could have been so depressed, so moved as I was this morning. Now all is over. And with him ends the purest, the most holy, of our glorious epochs... I have read many newspapers. None spoke about him as one should. Many words—but none really deeply felt. Instead—no lack of malicious-ness. Even against him!... Oh, what for a... people we are!...

Milan, June 9, 1873

To the Mayor of Milan

I deserve no gratitude (neither from you nor from the municipal council) for my offer to write a requiem for the anniversary of the death of our Manzoni. It was simply an impulse—better, my heart's desire — to honour a man whom I valued so much as a writer, whom I venerated so as a man—this ideal of human virtue. As soon as I have progressed enough with the music I will let you know which means will be required to have a performance worthy of our country and of a man we all mourn.

Paris, October 23, 1873

To Maria Waldmann (alto)

Dearest Maria, it would certainly be a great pleasure for me if you could participate at the Requiem on the first anniversary of the death of Manzoni on May 22, 1874. You would gain neither glory nor money, but as it is an event which will introduce a new epoch (not because of the music, but on account of the man to whom it is dedicated) it would be good if history could report some day: "On May 22 the great Mezzo di Requiem on the first anniversary of the death of Manzoni was sung by..." and so on. Please try to be available...

In Haifa

ORA Ratner's success with her dance-group in two performances on Friday afternoon at Haifa's Amphitheatre was the result of her teaching and coaching the pupils of the gymnastic classes of the David Remez School and of Kfar Masaryk. Eighteen 11 and 12-year-old youngsters were the soloists. Behind the children's enjoyment of dancing and rhythmical movements one could feel the teacher's well planned instruction.

Though the basic principles of the children's graceful movements are still connected with Jacques Dalcroze and Mary Wigman's school, Ora Ratner has now developed a style of her own, typical folk-dancing translated for the stage. Little stories like "Tom Thumb" or La Fontaine's fable "The Cricket and the Ant" easily catch the children's imaginative faculty and while they dance either alone or in groups they are simply performing themselves. Some of the little dancers showed a fine musical sense, a lovely physique, excellent technique and remarkable mimical art in their solo parts.

Lotte Bruno was the ideal accompanist at the piano and Ora Ratner gave rhythmical support with tambourin, triangle gong, etc. Choreography and costumes that stimulate the fantasy were also designed by Ora Ratner. The little performers were no less on the stage than was their audience, children and adults alike, which showed its delight and appreciation in a spontaneous outbreak of applause. The net proceeds of their performances, which were sold out, went to the Soldiers' Welfare Fund in the name of the late David Ratner, son of the teacher. *G. W.-B.*

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Haifa Art Notes

New Bezalel Show

THE New Bezalel Art School Exhibition at the Haifa Municipal Museum is the first direct acquaintance Haifa has enjoyed with that institution. The show covers the fine arts, lettering, commercial art and design, textiles, metal and enamel work and ceramics. To find a common denominator in all these branches, one must study the Bezalel idea as interpreted by Professor Jacob Steinhardt, the Principal, and his staff.

Many artists have acquired the contemporary international polish of modern art—in short "arty crafty-ness." At the same time, however, the Puritan traits of simplicity, clean cut line and colour do constitute the basis of modern art. The differences lies between the superficial crust and the thorough grounding with its roots in solid theory. To attain the latter end the Bezalel lives its first year students a basic course in drawing, painting, lettering and modelling. Thus colour exercises based on a piece of quartz should be seen by all those interested in the possible sources of a painter's colour inspiration. The academic drawings, for instance, a breadboard, bread and knife, are intended to create a feeling for texture and material.

Views of Jerusalem

In the design section there are views of Jerusalem under the walls with its bright teeming street life or the rows of little men and women dancing. The little dancers are built up on the fundamental forms of triangle, square and circle, their colours and positions shifted to bring out a sense of movement. That movement supplies content. The posters are full of vitality, their originality marred by only one which over-approximates Diego Rivera's "Flower Seller." It is sufficient to pause at the group sent to the Latham Foundation for Humane Education in California. They deal with the treatment of the blind, kindness to animals etc. The judges selected a child guiding a blind man for its combination of design and functionalism, while my choice, that of the connection of freedom with a child releasing a bird from its cage, might understandably have encouraged naughtiness.

The fine art (drawings, paintings woodcuts and sculpture) are highly academic. Prominent facial features are stressed rather than the analysis of anatomy, but again the result of courses in colour and composition are evident. However, the fine art section requires the deepening effect of life's buffetings, and the exhibition accent is rather on applied art where design and taste are paramount.

Among the textiles the woven material appears to be of a fine and strong quality. The designs are simple although not very original. The Bezalel pays considerable attention to religious decoration and includes a tasteful hanging for the Ark and, among the metal work, a modernised Tora crown. The metal work is in silver, bronze and glass. These coffee pots and ewers are chaste in the truest sense, without a superfluous touch (their control of line and form applies to the pottery also). Metal work, however, can often be properly judged only in its correct setting. For instance, two intertwined candlesticks from a single piece attract attention but require a large table to set them off.

One *Hannukia* with long arms like that of the seal of the State, the *Shamash* being placed low in the centre, needs a large room. For a small room there is another with tiny lights in a holder, the rear screen of which acts as a reflector and permits maximum light in minimum space. One must also mention a series of winding tea glass holders, the motif being repeated in the border of the glass tray.

Then there is the enamel strictly part of the metal work but with claims of its own. Included are ashtrays, a powder box, cups and jewellery. In every instance the colour is well nigh perfect, especially some jewellery of a wonderful cerulean and an ashtray with an intricate but harmonious mosaic of colours.

This is the New Bezalel, the basic grounding behind any branch of art. But the best training is valueless without intellectual curiosity and enthusiasm — and credit for that must also go to the staff and the students.

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